

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated hereafter.

1-8. Cancelled.

9. (New) A method implemented by a television set-top terminal ("STT") comprising steps of:

providing a list of currently viewable video-on-demand presentations listed by their respective titles, wherein the currently viewable list identifies video-on-demand presentations that are currently available for on-demand viewing;

presenting an option to a viewer for selecting a particular currently viewable video-on-demand presentation listed on the currently viewable video-on-demand presentations list to be added to a reminder list, wherein a viewer is provided a mechanism for indicating interest in being reminded at a future time about a particular currently viewable video-on-demand presentation that is currently available for on-demand viewing;

receiving viewer input selecting a particular currently viewable video-on-demand presentation listed on the currently viewable video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list in response to the option provided for selecting a particular currently viewable video-on-demand presentation listed on the currently viewable video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list;

providing a list of coming soon video-on-demand presentations listed by their respective titles, wherein the coming soon list identifies video-on-demand presentations that are scheduled to be available for on-demand viewing on a future release date and are not currently available for on-demand viewing;

presenting an option to a viewer for selecting a particular coming soon video-on-demand presentation listed on the coming soon video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list, wherein a viewer is provided a mechanism for indicating interest in being reminded at a future time about a particular coming soon video-on-demand presentation that is not currently available for on-demand viewing;

receiving viewer input selecting a particular coming soon video-on-demand presentation listed on the coming soon video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list in response to the option provided for selecting a particular coming soon video-on-demand presentation listed on the coming soon video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list;

responsive to receiving viewer input requesting display of the reminder list, displaying the reminder list, including displaying on a single screen a plurality of titles, including titles of the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation and the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation as entries in the displayed reminder list, wherein the displayed reminder list is distinct from the list of currently viewable video-on-demand presentations and the list of coming soon video-on-demand presentations, and wherein the future release date of the coming soon video-on-demand presentation is displayable through viewer selection of the title of the coming soon video-on-demand presentation in the reminder list;

determining whether a message should be provided to a viewer indicating that the currently available video-on-demand presentation will not be available for rent after a certain future date; and

responsive to both determining that the message should be provided and receiving additional viewer input requesting display of the list of currently viewable video-on-demand presentations, providing to the viewer a message separate from the reminder list that the currently available video-on-

demand presentation will not be available for rent after the certain future date.

10. (New) The method of claim 9, wherein the displaying on the single screen titles of the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation and the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation as entries in the displayed reminder list includes displaying the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation and the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation as intermingled entries in a list arranged alphabetically by titles.
11. (New) The method of claim 9, wherein the displaying on the single screen titles of the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation and the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation as entries in the displayed reminder list includes displaying the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation in a currently viewable sub-list and displaying the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation in a coming soon sub-list.
12. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the currently viewable sub-list and the coming soon sub-list are displayed in a side-by-side visual arrangement on the screen.
13. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein navigational control is provided to the viewer for transitioning between the currently viewable sub-list and the coming soon sub-list for selection of items listed in the currently viewable sub-list and the coming soon sub-list.
14. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the message includes an option to rent the currently available video-on-demand presentation.
15. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the message is configured as a barker screen.

16. (New) The method of claim 11, wherein the message further includes an option to remove the video-on-demand presentation from the reminder list.

17. (New) A television set-top terminal ("STT") comprising:
- memory configured to store program code; and
 - a processor programmed by the program code to enable the STT to provide the functions of,
 - providing a list of currently viewable video-on-demand presentations listed by their respective titles, wherein the currently viewable list identifies video-on-demand presentations that are currently available for on-demand viewing;
 - presenting an option to a viewer for selecting a particular currently viewable video-on-demand presentation listed on the currently viewable video-on-demand presentations list to be added to a reminder list, wherein a viewer is provided a mechanism for indicating interest in being reminded at a future time about a particular currently viewable video-on-demand presentation that is currently available for on-demand viewing;
 - receiving viewer input selecting a particular currently viewable video-on-demand presentation listed on the currently viewable video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list in response to the option provided for selecting a particular currently viewable video-on-demand presentation listed on the currently viewable video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list;
 - providing a list of coming soon video-on-demand presentations listed by their respective titles, wherein the coming soon list identifies video-on-demand presentations that are scheduled to be available for on-demand viewing on a future release date and are not currently available for on-demand viewing;

presenting an option to a viewer for selecting a particular coming soon video-on-demand presentation listed on the coming soon video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list, wherein a viewer is provided a mechanism for indicating interest in being reminded at a future time about a particular coming soon video-on-demand presentation that is not currently available for on-demand viewing;

receiving viewer input selecting a particular coming soon video-on-demand presentation listed on the coming soon video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list in response to the option provided for selecting a particular coming soon video-on-demand presentation listed on the coming soon video-on-demand presentations list to be added to the reminder list;

responsive to receiving viewer input requesting display of the reminder list, displaying the reminder list, including displaying on a single screen a plurality of titles, including titles of the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation and the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation as entries in the displayed reminder list, wherein the displayed reminder list is distinct from the list of currently viewable video-on-demand presentations and the list of coming soon video-on-demand presentations, and wherein the future release date of the coming soon video-on-demand presentation is displayable through viewer selection of the title of the coming soon video-on-demand presentation in the reminder list;

determining whether a message should be provided to a viewer indicating that the currently available video-on-demand

presentation will not be available for rent after a certain future date; and
responsive to both determining that the message should be provided and receiving additional viewer input requesting display of the list of currently viewable video-on-demand presentations, providing to the viewer a message separate from the reminder list that the currently available video-on-demand presentation will not be available for rent after the certain future date.

18. (New) The STT of claim 17, wherein the displaying on the single screen titles of the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation and the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation as entries in the displayed reminder list includes displaying the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation and the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation as intermingled entries in a list arranged alphabetically by titles.
19. (New) The STT of claim 17, wherein the displaying on the single screen titles of the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation and the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation as entries in the displayed reminder list includes displaying the selected currently viewable video-on-demand presentation in a currently viewable sub-list and displaying the selected coming soon video-on-demand presentation in a coming soon sub-list.
20. (New) The STT of claim 19, wherein the currently viewable sub-list and the coming soon sub-list are displayed in a side-by-side visual arrangement on the screen.
21. (New) The STT of claim 20, wherein navigational control is provided to the viewer for transitioning between the currently viewable sub-list and the coming soon sub-list for selection of items listed in the currently viewable sub-list and the coming soon sub-list.

22. (New) The STT of claim 19, wherein the message includes an option to rent the currently available video-on-demand presentation.
23. (New) The STT of claim 19, wherein the message is configured as a barker screen.
24. (New) The STT of claim 19, wherein the message further includes an option to remove the video-on-demand presentation from the reminder list.